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Re: "A Disposable Wet Wipe For Cleansing a Horse Bit"
Inventor: Susan A. Cook
Application #: 10/719,846
Filing Date: 11/24/2003

Dear Examiner Redding:

Enclosed herewith please find an original Response to First Office Action that will, by virtue of claim amendments, hopefully address the matters set forth in your latest written communiqué as respects the application.

Thank you for your thoughtful willingness to visit with me as you did over the phone as respects the matter of the above-referenced application.

Sincerely yours,

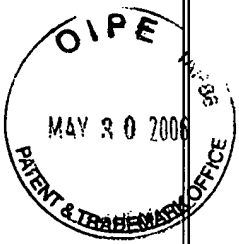
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

WITNESSETH: the undersigned John J. Welch, Jr., Esq., Registered Patent Attorney #: 29,456 hereby certifies that on the 25th day of May, 2006, he caused to be mailed to Mr. David A. Redding, Primary Examiner whose address is: Art Unit #: 1744, United States Patent & Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 the enclosed Applicant's Response to First Office Action via certified mail.


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RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Your Applicant by and through her undersigned counsel hereby respectfully responds to the First Office Action as follows:

1. Claims 1 and 2 in the application are amended by way of deleting from the preamble portions thereof, the word, "comprising" and replacing said word instead with the words, "consisting of". (Please see Exhibit "A" entitled Amended Claims attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.)

Amendment of Claims 1 and 2 in such regards, respectfully submitted, serves to amplify the fact that whereas claimed features in EP 1 285 958 referenced in the Office Action hereof being responded to are critical thereto, they are nevertheless not critical to the instant invention.

Moreover, respectfully submitted, the wiping material disclosed in the references cited in the Office Action is made of cloth, but; the wiping material in the instant invention is made of paper material.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the claims in the application in


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view of the foregoing amendment thereto be now allowed.

DATED this 19th day of May, 2006 at Rutland,
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